Transportation External Coordination Working Group (TEC/WG) DOE Transportation Protocols Topic Group Conference Call, December 16, 1999, 12:00-1:30 p.m. Eastern Time Conference Call Notes (Draft)

The Transportation External Coordination Working Group's (TEC/WG's) DOE
Transportation Protocols Topic Group met via conference call on December 16, 1999.
Participants included: Ralph Smith, DOE-Carlsbad Area Office; Ray English, DOENaval Reactors; David Crose, Indiana Emergency Management Agency; Carlisle
Smith, Public Utilities Commission of Ohio (representing CVSA); Phillip Paull,
Council of State Governments/Eastern Regional Conference; Mona Williams, DOENational Transportation Program/Albuquerque; Martha Crosland, DOE-EM Office of
Intergovernmental and Public Accountability; Bill Mackie, New Mexico Radioactive
Waste Consultation Task Force; Ken Niles, Oregon Office of Energy; Beth Fulmer,
Southern States Energy Board; Ellen Ott, DOE-General Counsel; Corinne Macaluso,
DOE-Office of Civilian Radioactive Waste Management; Seth Kirshenberg, Energy
Communities Alliance; Lisa Sattler, Council of State Governments-Midwest Office; and
Ron Ross, Western Governors Association.

Mona Williams began the session by stating that the purpose of the call was to review the draft protocols that had been developed since the last meeting and to discuss potential agenda topics for the next meeting of the group, which is scheduled to be held at the next TEC/WG meeting in Las Vegas in February 2000. The four protocols that had been distributed for comment to the topic group were Transportation Operational Contingencies; Safe Parking; Carrier/Driver Requirements; and Tracking.

Considerable discussion focused on comments provided by participants on the drafts themselves, reviewing the drafts line by line. Ms. Williams stated that the comments had been received and would be considered in the revised drafts. Ron Ross stated that WGA had recently provided written comments to DOE on the four drafts and offered to make them available to the group electronically.

Ms. Williams next updated the group on the status of the other three protocols that had been reviewed: Prenotification, Planning Information and Routing. She stated that the first two were being discussed and revised internally and comments would be available on the next Comment Response Document. The Routing protocol was still being discussed with regard to the issue of low-level waste and is currently being rewritten, she said. A participant asked for a schedule of when and which protocols would be available, and Ms. Williams agreed to provide an updated schedule. She added that more protocols should be made available to the group for review after the New Year.

There being no further agenda items, the meeting was adjourned at approximately 1:30 Eastern time.

Action Items:

- Mona Williams will provide an updated schedule for protocols development (attached).
- Ron Ross will provide WGA's comments for incorporation into the next version of the Writing Group's Comment Response Document, which will be made available prior to the next meeting of the topic group.
- New drafts will be made available to the topic group in advance of the February 2000 meeting in Las Vegas.